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SUBJECT: ALFOODACT 2020-018 – CLARIFICATION - Fresh Express Issues a Precautionary Recall of Products Containing Iceberg, Red Cabbage and Carrots Produced at its Streamwood, IL Facility due to a Potential Cyclospora Risk

Date Issued: 02 July 2020

**Lot and date clarification are highlighted in red in the paragraph below, to include highlighting areas from the original recall message, in bold, for additional emphasis.**

1. REFERENCES:

a. DHA-MSR 6025.01/AR 40-660/ DLAR 6025.01/NAVSUPINST 10110.8D/AFI 48-161\_IP/MCO 10110.38D, DOD Hazardous Food & Nonprescription Drug Recall System, 6 September 2018.

BACKGROUND: Fresh Express, out of an abundance of caution, has issued a voluntary recall of branded and private label salad products produced at its Streamwood, IL (VC #17-0028) facility that contain iceberg lettuce, red cabbage and/or carrot ingredients due to a possible health risk from Cyclospora. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, over 200 illnesses have been reported in connection with a current outbreak of Cyclospora occurring in primarily Midwest states.

**Cyclosporiasis is an intestinal infection caused by the Cyclospora parasite. A person may become infected after ingesting contaminated food or water. Common symptoms include severe abdominal pain, diarrhea, nausea and vomiting, body aches and fatigue. The infection is treated with antibiotics and most people respond quickly to treatment.**

The Fresh Express recall includes only those salads that are **clearly marked with the letter Z at the beginning of the Product Code**, which is in the upper right-hand corner of the front of the package. Products containing the ingredients iceberg lettuce, red cabbage **and/or** carrots **AND** displaying the **Product Code Z178, or a lower number, are recalled.**

Recalled products were distributed to select retail stores between June 6 and June 26 in various states including, for example, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, North Carolina, North Dakota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Vermont, Wisconsin, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

No other Fresh Express products are subject to recall.

Fresh Express customers have been notified of the recall and instructed to immediately remove recalled products from all store shelves, distribution, and other inventories to ensure they are no longer available for sale or consumption.

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Fresh Express is working in close coordination with FDA in its continuing investigation to identify a definitive source of the current Cyclospora outbreak.

2. PRODUCTS AFFECTED: Streamwood IL facility-produced (Point of Origin Code: **Z, beginning second line of code**) salads containing iceberg lettuce, red cabbage **or** carrots **AND** product code of **Z178, or a lower number**.

Products affected by this recall may include lower product/production code numbers such as **Z177, Z176, Z175, Z174, Z173, Z172, Z171, Z170, Z169, Z168, Z167, Z166, Z165, etc.** The use-by/before dates will adjust accordingly and vary based on the lower production code. Therefore, the dates are not limited to what is given in the table below.

If you identify products matching the product description, UPC, production code Z178, or lower number, immediately remove the product from store shelves and place on medical hold.

BRAND/PRODUCT NAME/SIZE SELECT STORE	UPC	PRODUCTION CODE	USE BY / BEFORE	POSSIBLE DISTRIBUTION STATES IN SELECT STORES
Fresh Express America's Fresh Old Fashioned Cole Slaw™, 14 oz	071279123011	Z178 or Lower	Jul-13	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express America's Fresh 3 Color Deli Cole Slaw™, 14 oz	071279123004	Z178 or Lower	Jul-14	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Asian, 12 oz	071279302027	Z178 or Lower	Jul-13	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

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Fresh Express Chopped Kit Bacon & Bleu, 10.9 oz	071279306063	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit BBQ Ranch, 11.3 oz	071279309071	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Chipotle Cheddar, 11.4 oz	071279306049	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Pomegranate, 10.3 oz	071279309101	Z178 or Lower	Jul-14	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Poppyseed, 11.7 oz	071279309118	Z178 or Lower	Jul-14	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Southwest, 5 oz	071279306025	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

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Fresh Express Chopped Kit Sunflower Crisp, 11.1 oz	071279309064	Z178 or Lower	Jul-13	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Thai 'N' Cashews, 11.7 oz	071279309248	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Chopped Kit Thai 'N' Cashews, 11.7 oz	071279309248	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, IA, IN, IL, MN, MO, SD, WI
Fresh Express Fancy Greens, 7 oz	071279241005	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Farmer's Garden, 9 oz	071279281025	Z178 or Lower	Jul-9	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Gourmet Cafe Creative Classics Chopped Asian, 6.25 oz	071279407111	Z178 or Lower	Jul-9	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

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Fresh Express Gourmet Cafe Creative Classics Mediterranean, 12 oz	071279407142	Z178 or Lower	Jul-9	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Gourmet Cafe Creative Classics Turkey & Bacon Chef, 5.75 oz	071279407081	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Green & Crisp / Verde y Crujiente, 11 oz	071279108049	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Green & Crisp / Verde y Crujiente, 11 oz	071279108049	Z178 or Lower	Jul-7	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Iceberg Garden / Lechuga Repollo, 12 oz	071279103020	Z178 or Lower	Jul-10	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Iceberg Garden / Lechuga Repollo, 24 oz	071279104119	Z178 or Lower	Jul-12	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

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BRAND/PRODUCT NAME/SIZE SELECT STORE	UPC	PRODUCTION CODE	USE BY / BEFORE	POSSIBLE DISTRIBUTION STATES IN SELECT STORES
Fresh Express Iceberg Garden / Lechuga Repollo, 3 lbs.	071279106014	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Iceberg Garden / Lechuga Repollo, 12 oz	071279103020	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Italian, 9 oz	071279211008	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Lettuce Trio / Lechuga Trío, 9 oz	071279108094	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Premium Romaine / Lechuga Romana Especial, 9 oz	071279108087	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Premium Romaine / Lechuga Romana Especial, 9 oz	071279108087	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

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BRAND/PRODUCT NAME/SIZE SELECT STORE	UPC	PRODUCTION CODE	USE BY / BEFORE	POSSIBLE DISTRIBUTION STATES IN SELECT STORES
Fresh Express Premium Slaw Salad Kit Asian Avocado, 9.7 oz	071279126043	Z178 or Lower	Jul-10	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Premium Slaw Salad Kit Smoked BBQ Sriracha, 11.1 oz	071279126029	Z178 or Lower	Jul-10	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express SHREDS Iceberg, 14 oz	071279152004	Z178 or Lower	Jul-11	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express SHREDS, 8 oz	071279151014	Z178 or Lower	Jul-10	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Veggie Lover's, 11 oz	071279281001	Z178 or Lower	Jul-9	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV
Fresh Express Veggie Spring Mix, 7 oz	071279281049	Z178 or Lower	Jun-25	AR, CT, DC, DE, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WI, WV

**\*\*Discontinue use/remove from retail sale shelves and place on medical hold. Contact your supplier for disposition instructions.**

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3. PRODUCT LABELS/PICTURES:



Products containing the ingredients iceberg lettuce, red cabbage and/or carrots AND displaying the Product Code Z178, or a lower number, are recalled.

4. CONTACT INFORMATION: Consumers who may have a recalled salad should discard it immediately and not eat it. Consumers with questions, or to obtain refunds, may contact the Fresh Express Consumer Response Center toll-free at (800) 242-5472 on Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern time and on Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern time.

5. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FINDINGS:

Only report a POSITIVE finding if you've determined your location is POSITIVE based on the clarification provided in this message. Do not report a subsequent positive response simply for being positive for ALFOODACT 2020-017; report negative, as appropriate.

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Army Veterinary Services and Air Force Public Health Personnel: Report your negative and positive findings in the Veterinary Service Information Management System (VSIMS) Subsistence Recalls application. If you are not in one of these two groups, please use the instructions below (paragraphs b-d).

a. Navy:

SHIPS AT SEA: Must report positive and negative findings to supporting Veterinary Service unit. Are authorized to destroy or dispose of recalled products utilizing the procedures and reporting requirements outlined in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 5302 and 6000(4), to include completion of a DD Form 200 and Standard Form 364. Procedures for completing the DD Form 200 are found in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 6001. Procedures for completing Standard Form 364 are found in NAVSUP P-486 Paragraph 5300(2)(c).

SHIPS IN PORT/HOMEPORTED/ASHORE GALLEYS: Supporting Veterinary Service unit will conduct inspection and report positive and negative findings in VSIMS Subsistence Recalls application. Contact the appropriate DLA Account Manager via Regional NAVSUP Fleet Logistics Center (NAVSUP FLC) to arrange pickup of recall items. Contact your supporting (NAVSUP FLC) for any issues regarding PV Pickup. Proceed with the same guidance as above.

b. Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Contractors: Report positive and negative findings to your Contracting Officer, Contracting Specialist, TVLS and [dscpconssafofc@dla.mil](mailto:dscpconssafofc@dla.mil) within 72 hours.

Positive Response Information required: (Vendor must provide all the following information):

- 1) ALFOODACT 201X-XXX
- 2) DLA Contract Number:
- 3) Unit of Measure:
- 4) Quantity Currently in Stock:
- 5) List of customers that received product AND (a-h) for each customer
  - a. Customer name and location:
  - b. DLA Purchase Order Number:
  - c. Vendor Invoice Number:
  - d. Item Stock number (LSN, NSN):
  - e. Quantity Shipped:
  - f. Date Shipped:
  - g. Value of Affected Product:
  - h. Amount of credit due:

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d. AAFES, MWR, NEX, MCCS, DeCA, DLA, dining facilities, and all other agencies, report your findings in accordance with the procedures outlined by your agency.

6. Individuals or groups that would like to BEGIN/STOP receiving recall messages electronically can submit email requests to [usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.jbsa.medcom.mbx.medcom-vsims@mail.mil). Copy and paste email address into your email platform and ensure you title the subject accordingly.

7. Previous recalls are available at the following web site:  
<https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/fso/ALFOODACT/>.

8. Point of Contact for this ALFOODACT message is the undersigned.

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